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In re Application of Zaheer Khalfan

Application No. 09/708,038 Filed: November 8, 2000

OPTICAL PAPER SORTING METHOD

DEVICE AND APPARATUS

DECISION ON PETITION TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

This is in reply to the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, on May 13, 2004.

The petition is **GRANTED** in view of the following evidence of timely filing:

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Postcard receipt being dated
USPTO return facsimile receipt dated which identifies the application by serial number <u>and</u> the type of Response that was filed on that date.
○ Certificate of Mailing/Transmission signed on <u>September 16, 2003</u> and supported by a statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.8(b)(3).
Hand Delivery Receipt of the specific documents submitted dated
Certificate of Transmission of CPA under 37 C.F.R. 1.6 filed on
Express Mail Receipt under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 dated
This application is being forwarded to the Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner for entry of the response filed with the petition, then to the examiner for prompt action on the response.

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